

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

M: 18-38
(date entered 5-13-80)

1. Name: Darby Farm

2. Planning Area/Site Number: 18/38 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 13
B-9

4. Address: 15375 Sugarland Road, Poolesville

5. Classification Summary

Category	<u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording	<u>M-NCPPC</u>
Ownership	<u>private</u>	Title and Date:	<u>1976 Inventory of</u>
Public Acquisition	<u>N/A</u>		<u>Historical Sites</u>
Status	<u>occupied</u>		
Accessible	<u>no</u>	Federal	<u>State</u> <u>x</u> <u>County</u> <u>x</u> <u>Local</u>
Present use	<u>private residence; agriculture</u>		

6. Date: c. 1904

7. Original Owner: Lawrence Allnutt Darby, Jr.

8. Apparent Condition

a. good b. altered c. original site

9. Description: This rectangular, two-and-a-half story, three bay by three bay house sits back from the road facing north and surrounded by cornfields. This frame house has white novelty siding. The north (front) porch has a shed roof supported by four turned posts with decorative jigsawed brackets. There are six-over-six double-hung windows flanked by black wooden louvered shutters. There are two modern picture windows on the west elevation. There is a south two story addition. The gable roof has slate covering and a returned cornice line.

10. Significance:

When this house was built in the early 1900s it housed the union of two of the oldest names in Montgomery County.

In 1904 Lawrence Allnutt Darby, Jr. and his wife, Julia, purchased 246 acres of land, part of the tract known as "Thomas' Discovery".

Darby was a descendant of James Allnutt and George Darby, both of whom settled in northwestern Montgomery County in the mid-18th century. The families intermarried and settled mostly in the same area. Lawrence and Julia lived here for more than 45 years.

Lawrence and Julia's son, Lawrence Allnutt Darby, Jr., is the fourth Darby to bear that name; he is the current owner of the property.

11. Researcher and date researched: Ann Cissel-6/79

Candy Reed
Arch. Description

12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman

13. Date Compiled: 10/79

14. Designation
Approval

15. Acreage: 246 acres

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

M: 18/38

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Darby Farm

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

15375 Sugarland Road (at Montevideo Road)

CITY, TOWN

Poolesville

☒ VICINITY OF

Dawsonville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery 20837

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Lawrence A. Darby, Jr.

Telephone #: 926-3074

STREET & NUMBER

15375 Sugarland Road

CITY, TOWN

Poolesville

☒ VICINITY OF

Dawsonville

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20837

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland 20850

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

M-NCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☒ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This rectangular, two and half story, three bay by three bay house is in excellent condition. It sits back from the road, facing north and surrounded by cornfields.

Built on sandstone foundations, this wooden frame house has white novelty siding. There is a wooden porch on the north (front) elevation. This has a shed roof supported by four turned posts with decorative jigsaw brackets. The north (front) door is wooden paneled and surmounted by a transom light. There are six-over-six double-hung windows throughout the house, flanked by black wooden louvered shutters and surmounted by simple wooden lintels. There are two modern picture windows on the west elevation. The gable roof has slate covering and a returned cornice at the north gable end. There is a small cross gable roof on the west elevation which has fishscale shingles and a four-over-four double-hung window at the peak. The south (rear) addition is two stories high and three bays across; it has a slightly lower gable roof than the north section. There are two interior brick chimneys over the north section and one interior end chimney at the south elevation.

Southwest of the house is a bank barn. This has sandstone foundations. The grainary floor opens on the north elevation through three large sliding doors. On the east and west elevations there are three tiers of louvered windows. The gable roof has corrugated metal covering.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) Local History
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1904

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Lawrence Allnutt Darby, Jr.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

When this house was built in the early 1900's it housed the union of two of the oldest names in Montgomery County. The first Allnutt in the county, James, had purchased 746 acres lying on Seneca Creek in 1763.¹ In the same years George Darby owned several hundred acres adjacent, parts of "Amsterdam" and "Ray's Adventure".² The descendants of these two men have populated numerous farms and houses in the Dawsonville-Poolesville area in the last 200 years.

James Allnutt and George Darby died within two years of one another, 1786-1788, but they had seen the first of many marriages between the families when Rebecca Allnutt married Basil Darby. Basil had fought in the Revolutionary War and after the war returned to the large farm left to him in his father's will.³

Basil's son, George Darby, also chose a wife among the Allnutts, marrying Verlinda Allnutt. Their son Lawrence Allnutt Darby was born upon the home farm of 309 acres which he would inherit in later years. At age 27 he left home and settled his family on a farm located across the creek. Ten years later he sold this farm and returned to "Amsterdam" after the death of his father in 1866. His land now totalled 600 acres but he also carried on a successful law practice. He was elected County Commissioner in 1877 and served two terms. In 1891 and 1895 he was elected to serve as judge of the Orphan's Court for the county.⁴

Lawrence Allnutt Darby (Jr.) was his son and the builder of the Darby House. In 1904 Lawrence and Julia Darby purchased 246 acres of the extensive Allnutt holdings from Julia's parents for the sum of \$8,017.05.⁵ This land lay on the Dawsonville to Seneca Mills Road and was part of "Thomas' Discovery".

The two-story frame house with shingled gable and porch was probably built on this site around the year 1904.

Lawrence and Julia had two sons, one of whom moved to Kansas. Lawrence Allnutt Darby, Jr. (actually the fourth of that name) was born in 1908 and is now the owner of this property. But the elder Lawrence and his wife lived for over 45 years in the house they built.

FOOTNOTES:

1. Noble, Arthur H., England, 1962; The Families of Allnutt/Alnutt, p.115.
2. Abstract of Willis, Montgomery County, Md. 1776-1825, p. 38.
3. Genealogy of the Darby Family: George Darby 1726-1788, (1914) pp. 54-61.
4. Portrait and Biographical Record of the 6th Congressional District, Chapman Publishing (1898) p. 694.
5. Montgomery County Land Records, 176/473 (April 9, 1904).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Montgomery County, Md.
 Noble, Arthur H., England, 1962; The Families of Allnutt/Alnutt.
Genealogy of the Darby Family: George Darby 1726-1788, (1914).
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 Chapman Publishing Company (1898).

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 246 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Anne W. Cissel

Candy Reed

Architectural Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

June 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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~~The Shaw House, 21 State Circle~~
~~Annapolis, Maryland 21401~~
~~(301) 267-1438~~

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Allnutt/Darby Farm				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Sugarland Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Poolesville				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____				
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: L. A. Darby				
STREET AND NUMBER: Sugarland Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Poolesville		STATE: Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	<div>(Check One)</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed </div>
	<div>(Check One)</div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered </div> <div> <div>(Check One)</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site </div> </div>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE.	
<p>The house is a two story, frame structure with a shingled, gabled main (north) facade. To the south is a lower, two story el. Across the front runs a one story, shed-roofed porch.</p> <p>West of the house is a small bankbarn on a stone foundation.</p>	

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

20 May 74

STREET AND NUMBER:

8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

12.

State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated May 9, 1988

ACTION TAKEN

APPENDIX A

SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR REGULATION UNDER THE
 HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 24A OF THE
 MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE

The following sites have been reviewed by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission and were found not to merit designation on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. If not included in the Master Plan, these resources may be removed from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County. If removed from the Locational Atlas, the site will no longer be governed by the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance. The sites will, however, remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory.

The following sites were found by the Preservation Commission to be too greatly altered from the period of their architectural or historical significance or not to meet Ordinance criteria for designation.

18/38

Allnutt/Darby Farm

15375 Sugarland Road
 Poolesville, MD



ALLNUTT / DARBY FARM #18-38

NAME ~~B. ALLNUTT TENANT FARM~~ (L. DARBY NOW)

LOCATION SUGARLAND + MONTEVIDEO Rds. SENECA, MD

FACADE N

PHOTO TAKEN 5/20/74 MDWYER